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PAKISTAN FISHERY EXPERT GIVEN MERIT AWARD

Secretary of the Interior Douglas McKay announced today that one of Pakistan's leading fishery experts, Shaikh A. Jaleel, has been awarded a Certificate of Merit upon the completion of a year's training in fishery matters in the United States. The certificate was presented to Jaleel by John L. Farley, Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

The training is part of the State Department's Technical Assistance Program. Under the direction of the Foreign Operations Administration the Fish and Wildlife Service, as a participating agency, plans and supervises fishery training programs for foreign technicians.

Shaikh Jaleel is Marketing Officer of Pakistan's Central Fisheries Department. He is one of three fishery experts selected a year ago by the Pakistan Government to take the training. His courses included graduate work in Fishery Technology, Business Administration, and Marketing at the University of Washington in Seattle.

In addition to the specialized courses, Jaleel has been making a firsthand study of cooperative marketing organizations in this country. In this connection he has visited the principal fishery centers on the Pacific, Gulf, and Atlantic coasts, observing fish harbors, canneries, markets, and fishing vessels. He has given particular attention to the handling and distribution of fishery products.

Shaikh Jaleel holds degrees from the University of Bombay and the Government Fishery School at Madras, India. His wife, Tasneem, studied at the University of Washington, specializing in zoology. The two will leave New York on August 9 to return by air to their home in Karachi.

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(NOTE: Glossy prints of the award ceremony may be obtained on a loan basis for reproduction in newspapers and magazines by application to the Division of Information, Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington 25, D. C.)